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SUBJECT: THREATS AGAINST SOVIET MISSION OVER CHRISTMAS WEEKEND

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1. WHEN NEWS OF LENINGRAD COURT DECISION WAS ANNOUNCED ON DEC 24, MANY JEWISH GROUPS DENOUNCED SENTENCES AND STAGED DEMONSTRATIONS AGAINST THEM. PRIMARY ORGANIZATION INVOLVED IN DEMONSTRATION WAS JEWISH DEFENSE LEAGUE, LED BY RABBI MEIR KAHANE. SERIES OF DEMONSTRATIONS TOOK PLACE, SOME INVOLVING MEMBERS JDL WHO MANAGED TO SLIP THRU POLICE LINES AND SHOUT SLOGANS AND OBSCENITIES AT SOVS FROM SYNAGOGUE ACROSS STREET FROM SOV MISSION. MAJOR DEMONSTRATION TOOK PLACE EVENING DEC 27, AT WHICH TIME 11 MEMBERS JDL WERE ARRESTED AND 5 POLICEMEN WERE INJURED.

2. USUN HAS RECEIVED 2 NOTES FROM SOV MISSION OVER WEEKEND CONCERNING DEMONSTRATIONS. NOTE DATED DEC 24, SIGNED BY AMB MALIK, ASKS AMB YOST TO TAKE ALL NECESSARY STEPS TO PROTECT SOV MISSION FROM 100 HOUR VIGIL FOR SOV JEWRY PLANNED BY JDL FROM DEC 27 THRU DEC 31. SECOND LETTER FROM SOV MISSION, ALSO DATED DEC 24, COMMENTS ON DEMONSTRATIONS WHICH TOOK PLACE IN VICINITY OF SOV MISSION INVOLVING ELEMENTS SHOUTING "FOR 1 JEW, WE WILL KILL 2 RUSSIANS" ETC. NOTE SOVS ALSO CALLED ATTENTION TO FACT THAT DOUBLE LOCAL POLICE DETAIL

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ALLOWED DEMONSTRATORS THRU TO DEL BUILDING OPENLY WINKING AT THESE HOSTILE ACTS. SOV MISSION IN NOTE LODGES STRONG PROTEST AGAINST VIOLATION OF DIPLOMATIC IMMUNITY OF SOV MISSION AND NON-OBSERVANCE OF OFFICIAL ASSURANCES GIVEN BY USNI THAT ALL STEPS WLD BE TAKEN TO PROTECT SOV DEL FROM HOSTILE AND CRIMINAL ACTIVITIES OF ZIONIST ELEMENTS, ETC. WITH REGARD TO STATEMENT THAT POLICE PERMITTED DEMONSTRATORS THRU TO DEL BUILDING, USNI HAS NO INFO AT THIS TIME VERIFYING THAT ANY INCIDENT OF THIS NATURE ACTUALLY OCCURRED.

3. TWELVE ARRESTS WERE MADE EVENING DEC 27. AT SAME TIME, 5. POLICEMEN WERE INJURED IN LINE OF DUTY.

4. ARRESTS AND ARRAIGNMENTS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

(A) GARY FISHMAN, AGE 17, ARRESTED FOR RIOTING IN 1ST DEGREE, RESISTING ARREST AND OBSTRUCTING GOVT'L ADMINISTRATION. HEARING SCHEDULED JAN 5, PART 3.

(B) ALLEN LOBOUTIS, AGE 23, ARRESTED FOR RIOTING, RESISTING ARREST, AND OBSTRUCTING GOVT'L ADMINISTRATION. HEARING SCHEDULED JAN 6, PART 1, DI 1.

(C) JOSEPH KAHAN, AGE 40, ARRESTED FOR DISORDERLY CONDUCT. HEARING SCHEDULED JAN 8, PART 1, C.

(D) BENNET LEVINE, AGE 23, ARRESTED FOR RIOTING AND RESISTING ARREST. HEARING SCHEDULED FOR JAN 7, PART 1, DI 1.

(E) MALCOM LEBOWITZ, AGE 43, ARRESTED FOR RIOTING, RESISTING ARREST AND 3RD DEGREE ASSAULT. HEARING SCHEDULED JAN 6, PART 1, DI 1.

(F) JOSEPH LEVY, AGE 18, ARRESTED FOR DISORDERLY CONDUCT AND RESISTING ARREST. HEARING SCHEDULED JAN 4, PART 3.

(G) ABRAHAM WARSHAW, AGE 34, ARRESTED FOR 2ND DEGREE ASSAULT, RESISTING ARREST AND RIOT. HEARING SCHEDULED JAN 6, PART 1, DI 1.

(H) MARTIN GOLDBSTEIN, AGE 32, ARRESTED FOR RESISTING ARREST, HARRASSMENT, POSSESSION OF KNIFE AND OBSTRUCTING GOVT'L

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ADMINISTRATION. HEARING SCHEDULED JAN 4, PART I, D I.

5. RABBI MEIR KAHANE WAS ARRESTED DURING SAME DEMONSTRATION AND CHARGED WITH RIOT AND RESISTING ARREST. CASE WILL BE HEARD JAN 7 AT 9:30 A.M. IN PART I, D I. RABBI KAHANE WAS GIVEN CONDITIONAL PAROLE BY JUDGE IRVING LANG. LANG STATED THAT IF RABBI KAHANE WAS FOUND PARTICIPATING IN ANY FURTHER DISTURBANCES, HIS PAROLE WLD IMMEDIATELY CEASE AND HE WLD BE REMANDED TO JAIL.

6. THREE OTHER ARRESTS WERE MADE AT DISTURBANCE. INDIVIDUALS ARRESTED WERE NEIL IR, RUBIN MATTYS AND PAUL LEBOWITZ. USUN WILL ADVISE DEPT DISPOSITION THESE CASES SOON AS REC'D.

7. USUN WAS PICKETED BY MEMBERS JDL BETWEEN 11:00 A.M. AND 1:00 P.M. ON DEC 28. PICKETERS CARRIED PLACARD REQUESTING FREEDOM FOR INDIVIDUALS INVOLVED IN LENINGRAD TRIALS. DECONTROL DEC 28, 1971.
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